

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: John D. Pruitt et al.
Title: SOLID DOSAGE FORMS COMPRISING PULLULAN
Appl. No.: 10/705,227
Appl. Filing Date: 11/12/2003
Examiner: Blessing M. Fubara
Art Unit: 1618
Confirmation Number: 3550

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
TRANSMITTAL

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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. This RCE and the enclosed items listed below are being filed prior to the earliest of: (1) payment of the issue fee (unless a petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.313 is granted); (2) abandonment of the application; or (3) the filing of a notice of appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit under 35 U.S.C. §141, or the commencement of a civil action under 35 U.S.C. §145 or §146 (unless the appeal or civil action is terminated).

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114: (check items that apply)

Enclosed is:

[X] Amendment and Reply Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 (18 pages).

The filing fee is calculated below:

| | Claims as Amended | Previously Paid For | Extra Claims Present | Rate | Fee Totals |
|--|-------------------|---------------------|----------------------|------------|------------|
| RCE Fee 1.17(e): | | | | \$810.00 | = \$810.00 |
| Total Claims: | 57 | - 58 | = 0 | x \$52.00 | = \$0.00 |
| Independents | 5 | - 5 | = 0 | x \$220.00 | = \$0.00 |
| First presentation of any Multiple Dependent Claims: | | | | + \$390.00 | = \$0.00 |
| CLAIMS FEE TOTAL: | | | | | = \$810.00 |

[X] Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for the total number of months checked below:

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| [] Extension for response filed within the first month: | \$130.00 | 0 | \$0.00 |
| [X] Extension for response filed within the second month: | \$490.00 | | \$490.00 |
| [] Extension for response filed within the third month: | \$1,110.00 | | \$0.00 |
| [] Extension for response filed within the fourth month: | \$1,730.00 | | \$0.00 |
| [] Extension for response filed within the fifth month: | \$2,350.00 | | \$0.00 |
| EXTENSION FEE SUBTOTAL: | | | \$490.00 |
| EXTENSION FEE ALREADY PAID: - | | | \$0.00 |
| EXTENSION FEE TOTAL | | | \$490.00 |
| CLAIMS AND EXTENSION FEE TOTAL: | | | \$1300.00 |
| [] Small Entity Fees Apply (subtract ½ of above): | | | \$0.00 |
| [] Suspension of action requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) | | | \$0.00 |
| TOTAL FEE: | | | \$1300.00 |

The above-identified fees of \$1300.00 are being paid by credit card via EFS-Web.

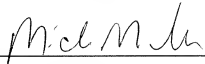
The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by the credit card payment instructions in EFS-Web being incorrect or absent, resulting in a rejected or incorrect credit card transaction, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Please direct all correspondence to the undersigned attorney or agent at the address indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: October 23, 2008

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